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the exterior and, on the other hand, no carbon dioxide can exit from the cover.

line 26, delete "AFZ 19/1992" and substitute therefor Mahler, G.:

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Konservierung von Holz mit Schutzgas (Preservation of Wood Using Protective Gas), AFZ 47 (1992) 19.

Page 3, delete lines 8 and 9.

IN THE CLAIMS:

Cancel claim 1 and substitute therefor the following claim:

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15. Method for preservation storage of green round wood and sawn timber in which green round wood or sawn timber is stocked under a cover, whereby respiratory and fermentation processes by fungi, bacteria, and respiratory processes of wood cells that are still alive are promoted characterized in that green round wood or sawn timber is stocked under an absolutely air-tight and light-tight cover and thereby the oxygen content inside the cover is less than 0.1 vol.-% after an adjustment period of 3-10 days during the entire storage time, and the CO₂ content is higher than 21 and up to 40 vol.-%, which to a great extent, prevents the growth of wood-destroying fungi.

Cancel claim 2.

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Claim 3, line 1, change "1 or 2" to --15--.